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EU'S CELEBRATE 48th ANNIVERSARY TONIGHT

VIEWS FROM ABROAD
By GEORGE BLACKWELL

Through the courtesy of Wil-
Craven we have been per-
to publish a personal let-
which he received from Basil
Knight, an English stu-
at Cambridge, who expresses
views and opinions concern-
the present European conflict.
is young man carries on a reg-
r correspondence with William
aven, one of our own students;
if the censorship resulting
m the war is not too strict,
er such letters may appear in
column during the year.
ng with Mr. Knight of London
re are students in other coun-
involved in war with which
dents on our own campus cor-
pond. Through this extensive
respondence this column will
sent the views of citizens from
warring countries. Mr. Basil
ight's letter follows:

ar Bill:
received your letter this
rning, and the first thing to
is to dispel your gloom due
our alleged tardiness. We could
give direct help to Poland,
the nearest point of Allied
rity is five hundred miles
ay, and every mile of that is
oss Germany. Immediate in-
ect help would have involved
assault on the Siegfried Line,
waste of time, and air bomb-
which would certainly have
olved us in great civilian
res. Presumably our idea was
take advantage of Polish re-
ance, crush Germany, and
n reinstate Poland; nobody an-
pated Russian action. That is
at we did not do.

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Intercollegiate Debaters Chosen

About Fifty Compete In Tryouts For Forensic Teams

The largest number of students in the history of the Forensic club entered the preliminary contests held recently for the selection of those who will represent the college this year as intercollegiate debaters, and twenty-nine were given places on the squad.

During the tryouts each contestant was given opportunity to enter at least one round of debating. From approximately fifty aspirants, thirteen girls and sixteen boys won niches on the teams.

The girls who will represent Mars Hill forensically are Doris Thompson, Vivian Crisp, Marguerite Hudson, Martha Lee Grayson, Gwen Reed, Mallie Mae Bennett, Maude Bloodgood, Virginia Lisk, Mary Underwood, Gladys Reinhardt, Iris Melton, Elizabeth Stinson, and Madge Allen.

The boys' side of the argument will be upheld by Bartlett Dorr, Charles Greene, C. C. Hope, Bruce Brown, James Thomas, Coy Culpepper, George Culpepper, Paul Meyers, T. E. White, Frank Venters, Richard C. Proctor, Ernest Cox, Horace Small, Harold Hawkins, Augustus Vedery, and Bill Allred.

These students have as their first major event of the year the Strawberry Festival to be held the first week of December at Winthrop college, Rock Hill, S. C. Here will be gathered for several types of forensic contests representatives of colleges and universities from all over the South. Last year, despite competition from four-year institutions, Mars (Continued on page 5)

Twenty-Three Join Home-Maker's Guild

C-I Girls Initiated During First Meeting Of Year

On Tuesday night, October 10, at the annual initiation service of the Homemakers' Guild, held in the home economics laboratory, twenty-three C-I home economics students were received into the organization.

The major event of the evening was the induction of these new members into the group. After the initiation, the new members were served refreshments by the senior girls. Following the program various matters of routine business including the reading of the constitution and by-laws were taken up.

The following girls were initiated: Frances Knowles, Marguerite Hudson, Wilhelmina Hall, Doris Spencer, Lucille Noland, La-Monna Gattis, Margaret Cline, Mabel Rodgers, Mary Alyce Hill, Carol Byrd, Dorothy King, Nell Brandon, Pauline Merrill, Martha Whitworth, Doris Brachean, Edith Bodenheimer, Alma Hughes, Ila Fillery, Elizabeth Teuton, Lila Nannery, Hope Franklin, Reba McNeil, and Rena McNeil.

Mrs. Stroup Makes Gift To College

Donation Will Furnish Reception Room in Edna Moore Dormitory

Mrs. Rush Stroup, a trustee of the college, recently presented the college with a five hundred dollar gift to be used in furnishing the main reception room of Edna Corpening Moore dormitory.

A committee of which Mrs. Hoyt Blackwell is chairman is in charge of selecting and buying the furniture. Mrs. Blackwell and her committee met recently to decide upon the type of furniture and the number of pieces to be purchased. The furniture under consideration is upholstered colonial style, in keeping with the architecture of the dormitory and with the color scheme of the reception room.

Only the main reception will be furnished at the present; the two parlors are expected to be furnished later. The purchases will be completed within a few weeks.

Mars Hillians Go To Campbell For B.S.U. Meet

Early Friday morning, October 27, thirty-four Mars Hill students left to participate in the 1939 state B. S. U. convention held at Campbell college at Buie's Creek, N. C.

After registering they attended a banquet held in the college dining hall, Imogene Brown representing Mars Hill in a program presented at this time by several colleges. In a program which followed the banquet, testimonies were given by students from four North Carolina colleges. One of those who gave a testimony, Dean Bergen, is a student here; another, W. R. Wagoner, graduated at Mars Hill last spring. Rev. Paul Caudill concluded the program with an address, "Above All, Christ." Mr. Caudill was a student here in 1925.

On Saturday Miss Mary Nance Daniel, young peoples' secretary of the Southern Baptist convention, gave a talk on B. S. U. technique. This was followed by a panel discussion on "The B. S. U. At Work," conducted by students. Dr. Ralph Herring brought the morning message, having as his subject, "God's Will, My Task." In the evening Mary Catherine Adams, Claire Hardin, and Miss Ellison represented Mars Hill in the Talent Parade, and Dr. Walter H. Judd, medical missionary to China, presented a discussion on Christian youth and the present world conditions.

There was a reunion of former Mars Hill students Saturday night in front of the D. Rich Memorial auditorium. From Wake Forest were J. E. Tate, W. R. Wagoner, Wayne Oates, Bill Angel, Willis Bennett, Roger Bell, McLeod Bryan, H. B. Land, and Paul Early. From W. C. of U. N. C. was Katy Ruth Grayson. Rachel Templeton, Elizabeth Coppedge, and Edna Herring were from (Continued on page 6)

New German Club Holds First Meeting

Large Number Of Students Receive Benefit Of New Language Club

Die Deutschen Kameraden Club, which has recently been organized for the German students at Mars Hill, held its first meeting of the year Monday evening, October 16, in the college auditorium.

The following students were elected to serve as officers for the coming year: Harold Sluder, president; Vivian Lunsford, secretary; Alice Craddock, secretary; and Bill Duckworth, treasurer.

The first program was devoted to a study of the great German musicians. Biographical sketches of three composers were given by members of the group, Tommy Evans discussing Johann Sebastian Bach; Bill Duckworth sketching the life of Johannes Brahms; and Roy Totherow giving the life of Ludwig van Beethoven. One of the compositions of each musician was played on the Carnegie instrument.

At the close of the program refreshments were served by members of the club.

Students Attend Raleigh Assembly

Mars Hill Representatives Take Major Part In Legislative Activities

After a successful week-end trip to the annual student legislative assembly at Raleigh, seven Mars Hill debaters and their instructor returned to the campus Sunday, October 29.

This assembly, in which the students from Mars Hill introduced and passed two bills, is held annually for the purpose of training the students of various colleges in the state in parliamentary law and other phases of forensics.

In the course of the meeting several personal honors were attained by Mars Hill students. In the senate, Thomas White and Bartlett Dorr were chosen to speak on a special broadcast over station W.P.T.F. Several other positions were accorded delegates from the college.

Highlights of the meeting were an address by the North Carolina Secretary of State, Thad Eure, in which special emphasis was placed on the study of government, and a dinner given on Friday evening by Judge Buxen Journey, head of the North Carolina Industrial Commission. Judge Journey has on several occasions made financial contributions to Mars Hill college.

The Mars Hill students who attended this convention, accompanied by Mr. J. B. Huff, were James Thomas, Bartlett Dorr, Bruce Brown, Thomas White, C. C. Hope, Frank Venters, and Paul Meyers.

Typical Program Presented Tonight

Euthalians Give First Anniversary Program Of Year

The Euthalian Literary society will present its 48th anniversary program this evening at 8 o'clock in the college auditorium. With the exception of one, the regular dais officers, Bill Duckworth, of Asheville, as president; Norman Harper, of Rocky Mount, as secretary; and Horace Small, of Fairmont, as censor, will preside. Because Horace Small will take part on the program, Bill Woltz, of Raleigh, will serve as acting censor.

The program presented this evening will be typical of the regular programs conducted by the societies. It will consist of declamations, orations, musical numbers, and a debate. Those representing the society on the program will be George Blackwell, orator; Ralph Jinnette and T. L. Cashwell, declaimers; Gordon Bernard, dramatic reader; Harold Spainhour, William Craven, Paul Brunner, and Morley Caplan, musical selections; and James Thomas, Harold Sluder, Tommy Evans, and Horace Small, debaters. Following the program will come a very impressive finale, in which all members of the society will take part.

This marks the opening of the anniversary series which promotes a friendly rivalry between the literary societies. Each year the order of the anniversary programs is alternated. The Philomathians will present their anniversary program November 25.

The Nonpareil reception will be given November 18 in the administration building for the Euthalians and the faculty.

Mars Hill Sextet Praised By Critic

Girls' Group Is Complimented For Songs Presented In Asheville

On Friday, October 20, at an informal presentation of "the evaluation of music programs," Mr. Charles Griffith, of the Silver Burdette Music Company, complimented the Mars Hill college sextet for the harmony, quality, and presentation of their selections.

The Mars Hill sextet, composed of Helen Trentham, Mildred Crowder, Claire Hardin, La Monna Gattis, Virginia Terry, and Helen Moon, presented "On Wings of Song," by Mendelssohn, and "Ah! May the Red Rose Live Always," by Stephen Foster. They were directed by Miss Elizabeth Ellison, and Miss Margaret Biggers accompanied them at the piano.

The program was presented in the Lee Edwards high school auditorium in Asheville at eight o'clock. The number present was estimated at eight hundred. Throughout the evening Mr. Burdette illustrated types of music with beautiful violin selections.

Earlier in the day, Miss Elli- (Continued on page 6)

Bus Line To Pick Up Mars Hill Passengers

Raleigh, Nov. 9. (AP)—The Queen City Coach Company received permission from Utilities Commissioner Stanley Vinborne to take on and discharge passengers at Mars Hill and from intrastate points.

Concert Artists Give Program Here

Miss Pitt, Contralto And Mr. Carter, Pianist, Charm Audience

A joint concert was presented here, October 28, in the college auditorium, from 8 to 9:30 o'clock, by Emma Pitt, contralto, and Robert Carter, pianist, both of Nashville, Tenn. Both Miss Pitt and Mr. Carter are well known in their respective fields and have gained nation-wide ac- (Continued on page 6)

Miss Pitt, accompanied by Frances Rossor, also of Nashville, sang some famous compositions by Beethoven, Mozart, Schubert, Paderewski, and the South's own Stephen Foster. Notable among the compositions played by Mr. Carter were Sonata, Opus 109, in E major by Beethoven, and a selection from Johannes Brahms.